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n re Patent Application of: Kazuhiko Yamanouchi, et al.

Application No.: 09/826,626

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AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111

Hon. Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

In reference to the Office action dated November 22, 2004, applicants respectfully request that the following amendments and remarks be entered in the above-identified U.S. patent application.

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 14 of this paper.

Amendments to the Abstract begin on page 17 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 18 of this paper.

Docket No. AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL LETTER M9885.0009 Examiner Art Unit Filing Date Application No. 2631 09/826,626-Conf. #3980 April 5, 2001 B. L. Depp€ Applicant(s): Kazuhiko Yamanouchi et al. SPREAD SPECTRUM SIGNAL PROCESSING APPARATUS AND SPREAD SPECTRUM Invention: COMMUNICATION SYSTEM TO THE COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application. The fee has been calculated and is transmitted as shown below. **CLAIMS AS AMENDED** Claims Highest Remaining Number Number After Previously Extra Claims Amendment Paid Present Rate **Total Claims** 20 х Independent 3 Х Claims Multiple Dependent Claims (check if applicable) Other fee (please specify): Petition to Accept Delayed Claim of Priority \$1,370.00 TOTAL ADDITIONAL FEE FOR THIS AMENDMENT: \$1,370.00 Small Entity x Large Entity x No additional fee is required for this amendment. Please charge Deposit Account No. in the amount of \$ A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed. A check in the amount of \$ to cover the filing fee is enclosed. Payment by credit card. Form PTO-2038 is attached. X The Director is hereby authorized to charge and credit Deposit Account No. 50-2215 as described below. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed. Credit any overpayment. Charge any additional filing or application processing fees required under 37 CFR 1.16 and 1.17. Dated: February 22, 2005 Charles E. Miller Attorney Reg. No.: 24,576 DICKSTEIN SHAPIRO MORIN & OSHINSKY LLP 1177 Avenue of the Americas 41st Floor New York, New York 10036-2714

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